

CLAIMS

1. A method for impairing cumulus expansion and oocyte maturation, comprising antagonizing the EP₂ receptor and / or inhibiting cyclooxygenase COX-2.
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2. The method of claim 1, wherein the EP₂ receptor is antagonised by the EP₂ receptor antagonist AH6809.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein said EP₂ receptor antagonist is used in a composition and wherein said composition further comprises one or more COX inhibitors.
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4. A method of fertility control in a woman comprising administering an EP₂ receptor antagonist and/or a cyclooxygenase COX-2 inhibitor.
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5. The method according to claim 4, wherein said EP₂ receptor antagonist is used.
6. The method according to claim 5, wherein said EP₂ receptor antagonist is AH6809 and is used in a composition and wherein said composition further comprises one or more COX inhibitors.
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7. The method according to claim 6, wherein said COX inhibitor is selective for cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2).
8. The method according to claim 6 wherein the COX inhibitor is selected from the group consisting of Celecoxib, Ceracoxib, Parecoxib, Rofecoxib, Valdecoxib, NS-398 and Etoricoxib.
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9. The method according to claim 6 wherein the COX inhibitor is Celecoxib or Rofecoxib.
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10. The method according to claim 6 wherein said EP₂ receptor antagonist is used and is in a form suitable for oral delivery.

11. The method of claim 1 for achieving fertility control in a woman.